

### **Front Page Newspaper Project: The Civil War!**

**Task:** *To create a front page of a newspaper from the Civil War era*

#### **Outline of Project:**

*You will be creating a newspaper that will report on the Civil War era. You will be reporting as if the paper was written in the 1860's and place the information into a newspaper format. The project will require research from the Internet as well as other library resources.*

#### **Each front page will need to include the following items:**

- 1. A title for your newspaper. Remember that the title will reflect if the newspaper was written in the North, South, or the West. The date for the newspaper will be from 1861-1865, so you can include stories, drawings, photos, etc. from different years.*
- 2. A story about slavery. This could include a story about the history of slavery prior to the 1860's, the Underground Railroad, the Emancipation Proclamation, life of a slave, or slave revolts.*
- 3. An article written by an abolitionist explaining the reasons why slavery should be abolished.*
- 4. An article from a slave owner defending the need for and use of slaves.*
- 5. One hand drawn advertisement for an item that would be used in the 1860's.*
- 6. A biography of a key figure that played a significant role during the war.*
- 7. At least one photo/drawing/image/map that complements one of your articles.*

8. *A story written about an actual and significant Civil War battle.*

**Important Guidelines:**

- *All articles/stories/biographies MUST be in 10 point font; it will be your choice what style of font to use, but it should be readable and should look like an old newspaper*
- *All articles must be in 3" wide columns. Stories should be typed in vertical columns, then cut out and pasted onto the blank front page that will be provided to you.*
- *All articles/stories/biographies MUST be in your own words. Work that is plagiarized will receive zero credit.*

**Grading:**

*Points Possible: 60 points*

*Due Date: OCTOBER 22<sup>nd</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Hour*

*OCTOBER 23<sup>rd</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Hour*

*You will be presenting your newspaper to the class on the due date!  
Presentation will be part of your final grade for the project!*

*Here is a website that has old newspaper articles from the Civil War; you can go here to get some inspiration....but do not copy from the website!*

[http://www.uttyl.edu/vbetts/newspaper\\_titles.htm](http://www.uttyl.edu/vbetts/newspaper_titles.htm)

*Computer Lab Days:*

*Periods 1/2, Friday, October 10*

*Periods 1/2, Monday, October 13*

*Have fun with this project and take pride in your work!!*